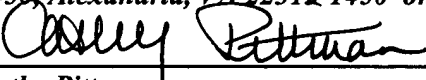




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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a response to the office action mailed on May 25, 2005, the statutorily shortened response period for which ended on June 25, 2005. An accompanying Petition requests that the response period be extended by one month to July 25, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.